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January 2024



SAPHC - We Party with a Purpose!



**December Happy Hour
Next Happy Hour is
*Thursday, January 18th, 2024***

The Mineshaft
902 NE Interstate 410 Loop
San Antonio, TX 78209

President's Letter to the Phlock



Happy New Year Ya'll! Excited for a new start in the new year!!

SAPHC hosted a great New Years Eve Party at the Mine Shaft ringing in the New Year with our PH Phlock and some fabulous musicians! Thanks to everyone that assisted in the planning and everyone that was able to attend. We can't do this without you! Started out the new year with our Annual Fruitcake Party January 6th. Why Fruitcake Party? Because what else is left after the holidays! Such a beautiful day with great food, great phriends and great music!

Hope your holiday celebrations with phamily and phriends was Merry & Bright! 2023 will be a year to remember with the loss of Jimmy Buffett! Thankfully, he will live on forever through his music and our PH Phlock! Bubbles up!

December was a busy month. Thanks for all the volunteers for Elf Louise gift wrapping and delivery. We had 10 Santa delivery teams this year making Christmas happen for so many children! And the phun we had working at the SA Food Bank packaging vegetables. Finishing off the year with a bang, Partying with a Purpose!!

I am happy to start out the New Year as the president of our club. Our new Board is all women so look out ya'll!!! Thanks for the nice warm welcome and well wishes. I have some big shoes to fill and am thankful that Cooler Dave will be there for support. A big thanks to him and Sally and the rest of our amazing Board for making our club the BEST club ever. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any new ideas and suggestions you may have for the new year.

We are excited to be bringing back our Anniversary Party in 2024. It will be April 6th at Harmony Hills. This will be our club 25th Anniversary, so let's celebrate BIG! As most of you already know we are moving SURVIVE 2024, May 17-19, 2024, to the Beachgate in Port Aransas. If you haven't already done it, please contact them to make your reservations. I hear the rooms are going fast. Please mention SAPHC and you will get a 10% discount. More details to come soon!!! We will have our first planning meeting for both the Anniversary Party and Survive on Thursday January 25, 2024 at 6:30PM (location to be determined). Please consider volunteering and joining one of the many committees that make this happen. We can't do this without you.

We look forward to another exciting year! Please keep your membership current! Don't forget those New Years Resolutions!

Phins UP! Bubbles Up!

Lori Parker-SAPHC President



December Happy Hour



Merry Christmas
TO ALL & TO ALL A
goodnight



"SAPHC Parrott Heads Playing Santa"

By Babs Lampis



On a beautiful December Sunday in San Antonio, Texas a large number of our members donned Elf Costumes and Santa Suits for the Annual Elf Louise Delivery. The Elf Louise Christmas Project is dedicated to bringing the joy of Christmas to the children of our community who otherwise would be at risk of not having a celebration of the Christmas season. Their theme is "Every child deserves a Christmas," and they served approximately 18,000 children in Bexar County. Each child receives wrapped

gifts delivered to their home by Santa and his elves. It is a worthwhile cause and SAPHC has participated and volunteered for years!

We all met Doc Blanchard at Port San Antonio North Pole and loaded our "sleighs" (cars, trucks, SUV's etc.). Afterward, we then made our way and navigated through various areas in town to deliver toys and gifts to the boys and girls. Our team consisted of "Elf" Babs, "Elf" Lori Parker and "Santa" Art Martinez.





"SAPHC Parrott Heads Playing Santa" By Babs Lampis / continued



Because "Santa's" were short in supply this year; several teams took on more deliveries. We were one of those teams and in all we delivered to 19 households and to 32 children. Our youngest child was (3) days old! What a delight to see these children's faces when Santa arrives with a big ole sack of toys. Many children were running from their doors to the streets when they saw us and hugged us before we got to the door. '

Santa Art did a superb job interacting with the children...even the teenagers confessed to him that "they still believed in Santa"What a feat!!

A tailgate afterparty followed at Port SA North Pole and then dinner at Rosarios. Even though Art, Lori and Babs could not participate in the "Reindeer Games" that followed, our hearts were filled with an abundance of Joyful Love and Cheer.

Merry Jingle BellsSleigh all the Way!!



Happy Hour—January 18th, 2024

Happy Hour at The Mine Shaft Come join us for great Phriendship, Music, and Phun!



Let's get 2024 going with a phun Happy Hour at the Mine Shaft. Don Middlebrook had to cancel and we're trying to get Aubrey Wallet as our entertainer--will update on music.

We'll continue to **collect new and gently used coats** for our Annual Coat Drive. We have a great raffle for a 3-D Margaritaville Wall Hanging and two tickets for the Lost Shaker of Salt performance on 20 Jan at the Brauntex.



Raffle tickets are \$5ea or 5 for \$20. Additionally we'll have our 50/50 raffle!

Raffle money will go to the San Antonio Food Bank!



Always collecting
Travel Size Toiletries for
Soldier's Angels





SAPHC Happenings

18 January Happy Hour, Mine Shaft
15 February Happy Hour Mine Shaft--may move to the 22nd pending artist availability
21 March Happy Hour Bracken Store and Ice House
6 April **SAPHC 25th Anniversary Party**
18 April Happy Hour--Venue TBD
17/18 May **SURVIVE 2024**, Port A, Beachgate
23 May Happy Hour, Mine Shaft--**4th Thursday**

Membership Update - January, 2024

Number of Current Members as of January 1 – 224

A gain of 2 since the December 1 Membership Report

Number of members renewed in December: 16

Number of outstanding renewals for December: 6

Number of new members: 2

Members at December Happy Hour: 58



Our Director of Membership Diane Elliot

Thank you Diane for all of your hard work!



Windy Cindy's January, 2024 Blog



Happy New Year!

I hope everyone is jumping right into 2024! There are so many things to look forward to in the new year.

I had a great time during the last month of 2023. I went to Dallas for a girls' weekend. We were supposed to go to New York City but my younger daughter, who lives in Dallas, got engaged in August so plans changed. We needed to be in Dallas to buy a wedding dress so we made it our girls' weekend. We went to the charming little town of Grapevine. This is a must and especially at Christmas time. The main street is

decked out in holiday décor. There are shops, restaurants, and lots and lots of wine bars and just plain old bars. I bought the cutest reindeer with big eyes. I had to have him because he looks just like my puppy, Baker.

After Grapevine we went to the Gaylord hotel. Wow! Just wow! It was all decked out in holiday everything. We strolled through the lobby and there were about 6 Christmas trees that had Texas motifs. They also had an ice sculpture display. And of course, there were Christmas themed adult beverages. So fun!

On Saturday we went to a pub crawl in Grapevine. This is where I needed my Parrot Head friends. I felt very "old." Most participants were in their 20s. The females were dressed in sexy Santa outfits the males were dressed as Santa's, candy canes, gingerbread, etc. etc.

They did a pretty good job being in costume but I think the Parrot Heads could have taught them a few things.

We were supposed to go to the arboretum which I was told is gorgeous at Christmas but time didn't allow. A seed for next time!

Here's to a bright New Year and a fond farewell to the old; here's to the things that are yet to come and to memories that we hold.



Bubbles Up
Cindy



Elf Louise Gets Help From SAPHC



*This year SAPHC put together ten Santa Delivery teams which sets, if not ties, our all-time record. Next year we hope to beat that with at least **twelve teams** if we can encourage more participants. It shouldn't be hard to do.*

We had some Parrot Heads who helped for the first time this year and they were thrilled at how uplifting the experience was. The Elf Louise Christmas Project organizers have told us many times how much they appreciate the help from SAPHC. It's a monumental project and they know they can count on us every year. The word was the previous day a few teams committed the cardinal sin of failing to show up and it really put them in a bind. The Parrot Heads would never do that, no way! How did all those Christmas Presents get wrapped? you may ask.

For about four weeks during November and early December, day and night, hundreds of volunteers, including one night about 25 Parrot Heads, descended on the Elf Louise central warehouse (Santa's Workshop) and in a flurry of scotch tape, scissors and paper (and maybe some pizza) we picked out appropriate presents and wrapped two for each family's children, after which the presents were bagged and sorted into large bins as far as the eye could see. There they waited until it was time for Santa to deliver. Kudos to all the wrappers, too! It takes a little time and effort, but it's so rewarding everybody looks forward to wrapping and delivering every year. When our wrapping session was over, we all went out to the parking lot and had a.... you guessed it! A Tailgate!

*Let it be said: We Party with a Purpose!
Doc, Gary & Debbie*



LAKESIDE LANAI



**SAVE THE
DATES!!**

Two events on the horizon:

Monday, February 26, Evening Listening Concert. Indoors and comfy.

Reservations only. Limited attendance. **Details soon on special artist and unique event.**

Sunday, March 17. Afternoon concert: **Shenanigans and Music** with **Aaron Scherz** on St. Patrick's Day.



Lakeside Lanai, New Braunfels, TX. Follow us on Facebook! Happy 2024 !!!



Marisela's and Luis' Drink of the Month

SPICED APPLE FIZZ

Ingredients:

- 1 ½ ounces, Sauvignon Blanc
- 1 ounce, gin
- 1 ounce, apple cider
- ½ ounce, fresh lemon juice
- Dash of cinnamon
- Splash of sparkling water, chilled
- Apple wheel, for garnish



Directions:

Combine the first five ingredients in a mixing glass filled with ice.

Stir and strain the drink into a martini glass.

Top the cocktail with sparkling water.

Garnish it with the apple wheel.

QUOTE:

“Take it all in... it’s as big as it seems. Count all your blessings. Remember your dreams.”

-- Jimmy Buffett





Who We Support

Adopt-a-Highway
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 couldn't use that!

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JANUARY

Matt Bongirno
 Robert Boyd
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 Gerry Norvell
 Gaby Weiss

FEBRUARY

Ballou	Jana
Brunner	Barbara
Campos Jr	Carlos
Cervantes	Debbie
Cervantes	Robert
Duvall	Paula
Lewis	Gordon
Lewis	Mary
Mathews	Duane
Mathews	Pam
Meeks	Scott
Nutt	Rosalind (Roz)
O'Neill	Linda
Persyn	Tami
Persyn	Tom
Sanchez	Enna
Schuk	Linda
Seeger	Bob
Seeger	Kathy
Spenny	Dave (Cooler Dave)
Spenny	Kevin
Spenny	Sally
Stollewerk	Dale
Stollewerk	Luanne
Switzer	Patricia
Tompkins	Ramona
Troy	J.R.
Tucker	Jeff
Tucker	Lisa
Turner	Connie
Waters	Karen

Members who need to renew now can do so online by going to the club membership page at <https://www.saphc.org/membership> and filling out the online form. You can then pay online by credit card by following the link to the Club Square store. You also have the options of printing a form and mailing it in with a check, or by signing up in person at a Happy Hour meeting with Membership Director Diane Elliot.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!



JANUARY/FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS!!

JANUARY

FEBRUARY

Carey	TC	1
Freise	Bob	1
Busch	Mike	8
Leesman	Larry	11
Allison	Walter	12
Andrade	Julie	15
Ruckman	Paul C.	20
Cushanick	Marguerite	22
Sherman	Rhonda	23
Bunt	Jimmy	24
Mathews	Pam	24
Caudill	Lisa	25

Dickson	Willie	1
Hughes	Scott	1
Ludwick	Robert	1
Spenny	Sally	5
McNeill	Debbie	6
Cook	Jill	9
Martin	Nancy	9
Perkins	Vanessa	9
Blanchard	Warren (Doc)	10
Boyd	Robert	13
Thomas	Renee	14
Mikeska	Mark	15
Norvell	Gerry	16
Prevou	Karen	16
Diaz	Mary	18
Alteneder	John R	19
Doolittle	Dana	19
Bobo	Paul	21
Gordon	Mandy	22
Perkins	Sharon	22
Cronkhite	Sharon	23
Blocker	Bill	26
Dinges	Ronald	28
Elliott	Kim	29





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